

In the Abstract:

AD The present invention discloses a method and apparatus for determining and reporting the operational status of an integrated services hub. The AC power supply and wide area network connection of the integrated services hub are monitored, and a signal is sent to a user upon detecting a problem. The AC power supply is preferably monitored through a bit on a power supply status register. The wide area network connection is preferably monitored through a network status register on a line interface chip or chip set residing in the integrated service hub and connected to the wide area network. The warning signal is preferably an audible warning tone played through a telephone receiver connected to the integrated services hub.